

Sustainability Committee Chairperson

David Doebler – Appointed by Commissioner Micky Steinberg

Members of the Sustainability Committee

Jeremy Waks- Appointed by Mayor Dan Gelber

David Doebler – Appointed by Commissioner Micky Steinberg

Mohammed Islam - Appointed by Commissioner Mark Samuelian

Luiz Rodrigues- Appointed by Commissioner Michael Góngora

Richard Conlin – Appointed by Commissioner Kristen Rosen-Gonzalez

Mike Gibaldi - Appointed by Commissioner Ricky Arriola

Max Litt - Appointed by Commissioner John Elizabeth Alemán

DATE: July 31, 2018

SUBJECT: Meeting of the Sustainability Committee

A meeting of the Sustainability Committee was scheduled for Tuesday, July 31, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. in the City Manager's Large Conference Room, 4th Floor, City Hall.

The attendees were as follows: Dave Doebler, Jeremy Waks, Luiz Rodrigues, Mike Gibaldi, Mohammed Islam, and Max Litt

City Staff: Elizabeth Wheaton, Director of Environment and Sustainability; Margarita Wells, Assistant Director of Environment and Sustainability; Yanira Pineda, Sustainability Specialist; and Alyssia Berthoumieux, Sustainability Specialist.

Members Absent: Richard Conlin

MINUTES

1. Committee Responsibilities

- a. **MOTION:** Motion to approve the minutes of the July 31, 2018 Sustainability Committee meeting as amended. Motion made by Luiz Rodriguez, seconded by Max Litt.
- b. Committee Meeting Rules - Dave Doebler discussed establishing committee guidelines that would help with facilitating future meetings. The proposed guidelines included the following:
 - Everyone would be welcome to attend the Sustainability Committee
 - Members and Staff would be allowed to be seated at the conference table and plenty of chairs would be made available around the room for guests
 - At the beginning of the meeting, everyone in the room would be invited to introduce themselves starting from Committee to Staff to Guests
 - Agenda items would be allocated a specific amount of time, and that time would be adhered to by the Committee Chair or a designated timekeeper
 - Agenda items with Staff or 3rd Party attendees would be given a priority speaking slot at the discretion of the committee
 - Presentations would be limited to a maximum of 50% of the allotted time to

allow for questions and committee member discussion

- If committee members or guests have questions during the presentation, they should hold them until the end of the presentation (unless they are for clarification). After the presentation, the floor would be opened for questions with priority given to committee members and then guests
- 20 minutes total with 2 minutes for each for each Committee Member, Staff, and Guests would be allocated at the end of every meeting for public comments and announcements
- 5 minutes would be allocated to discuss future agenda items
- Members, Staff or Guests could submit a request to present or speak at a future meeting via email to staff liaison. Staff would collaborate with the Chair to determine if and when the presentation would be scheduled

MOTION: Motion to approve the committee guidelines made by Jeremy Waks, seconded by Luiz Rodrigues.

2. Sustainability Committee Work Plan

a. 2018 Items

- i. Mooring in Sunset Harbour – Captain Dan Kipniss presented on this item and showcased conceptual plans for a visiting yacht mooring field marina in the Sunset Harbour Area. He further explained the concept would help address bay grass degradation and prevent boats from dumping their sanitary waste directly into the bay. The proposed plan would establish a registration and dockage fee which would provide accessibility to marina facilities through the use of a key card. The key card would provide access to toilets, showers as well as trash and laundry facilities. He added the mooring field would limit the amount of stay time allowed and the non-motorized/water tax docking facilities would be free for residents. Mr. Doeblor and Max Litt expressed their concerns over displacing the existing permanent residents of that marina. Captain Kipniss suggested engaging the city's Housing and Community Services department to address this issue and obtain their feedback. He added he would like the Sustainability Committee to be actively engage in this concept to help with developing the project. **MOTION:** Motion to support establishing a yacht mooring field as in Sunset Harbour as outlined by the Marine and Waterfront Protection Authority. Motion made by Mike Gilbaldi, seconded by Jeremy Waks.
- ii. Plastic Bag and Straw Ordinances – Elizabeth Wheaton gave an overview of the proposed plastic ordinances that were scheduled to be heard at the following Commission Meeting. She explained the importance of a phased approach for each of the items and how the plastic bag component was dependent on the Coral Gables litigation. She further explained the anti-plastic program for businesses to further encourage the reduction of single-use plastic. She added that an event would be planned to promote and launch the program. Luiz Rodriguez inquired on whether the city considered banning a larger spectrum of single-use plastic. Mr. Doeblor explained the plastic free Miami Beach program would build upon the existing plastics momentum and help businesses with accomplishing that goal without being disruptive to their operations. He highlighted the importance of influencing consumer demand. Ms. Wheaton explained if the committee desired to expand on the existing ordinance, this could be accomplished through the help of the committee reaching out to elected officials. She added committee members could also carry out research on how other cities have enacted these types of regulations.
- iii. Water Conservation/Reuse – Item deferred to the September 25, 2018

Sustainability Committee Meeting.

3. Next Meeting

- a.** September 25, 2018